

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

~~The object of the invention is a~~ high-voltage spark gap device operated for operation in conjunction with a high-power electric generator and ~~comprising~~ including an electric trigger system and at least two mutually spaced spherical main electrodes. ~~These main electrodes in particular are spheres and that cooperate pairwise and face each other. This spark gap device furthermore comprises,~~ means ~~to close~~ for closing the current loop and ~~that are~~ separated by a dielectric from the electrodes, ~~said device being characterized in that the electric trigger system comprises~~ having as many trigger electrodes as there are main electrodes ~~in it~~, ~~said the~~ trigger electrodes being fitted with an insulating protector received in each main electrode of ~~said the~~ device.

~~Fig. 1.~~